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Martha Walker, Park Ranger Thomas Stone National Historic Site 6655 Rose Hill Road Port Tobacco, MD 20677

Dear Martha:

On August 22, 1995, USDA Forest Service personnel conducted a gypsy moth egg mass survey at Thomas Stone National Historic Site. The purpose of this survey was to determine population densities and to assess the potential for defoliation and the need for treatment in 1996.

The survey consisted of several short walks through the forested areas at Thomas Stone National Historic Site (Figure 1.) I am pleased to report that only 3 egg masses were detected during the survey. Two egg masses were detected at plot location #6 and one egg mass was detected at plot location #1. No egg masses were detected at any of the other plot locations. No noticeable gypsy moth caused defoliation is expected so treatment will not be necessary at Thomas Stone National Site in 1996.

If you have any questions or need further information, please call me at (304) 285-1555.

Sincerely,

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Figure 1. -- Gypsy moth egg mass survey plot locations at Thomas Stone National Historic Site, August 22, 1995.

